



Prince George's County
Department of Permitting, Inspections
and Enforcement



NOTICE:
Solar Panel Fee Calculations

Effective May 1, 2022, the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement will change the solar panel fee calculations to the formula provided by the U.S. Department of Energy.

With constant innovation in Photovoltaic (PV) technology, solar products continue to be readily available to customers at competitive pricing. This has also impacted the cost of construction/installation. Currently, Prince George's County permit fees for Photovoltaic (solar panel) are based on Cost of Construction, as calculated based on the formula indicated below:

Residential PV system: \$5.00 per watt

Commercial PV systems on roof (100 kW-2 MW): \$3.00 per watt

Commercial Utility-scaled PV systems on ground (5 MW-100 MW): \$2.00 per watt

Considering data from National Renewable Energy Laboratory of U.S. Department of Energy on Q1 2020, effective May 1st, 2022, Prince George's County Government, Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE) will be using the following formula to calculate the Cost of Construction, based on which permit fees will be assessed.

Residential PV system: \$3.00 per watt

Commercial PV systems (100 kW-2 MW): \$2.00 per watt

Utility-scaled PV systems (5 MW-100 MW): \$1.50 per watt

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